



日本語版

LIFT



Life, Information, Fun, Times

History corner



On March 5th, 1936 the British fighter plane *Spitfire* made its first test flight from Eastleigh, Southampton. Powered by a Rolls-Royce Merlin engine, it would enter service with the Royal Air Force in the next two years.



On March 7th, 1876 the Scottish-born inventor Alexander Graham-Bell patented the telephone but it was German scientist Johann Philipp Reis who coined the term `telephon`.



On March 24th, 1934 after decades of Filipino resistance that included the Philippine-American War, the Philippine Independence Act officially established the process for the colony to become an independent country.



On March 19th, 1994 the world's largest omelette at the time was made with 160.000 eggs in Yokohama, Japan.



"You never know what worse luck your bad luck has saved you from."
-Cormac McCarthy.



'Lucky' in the languages of our teachers

1	Lwcus	Welsh	6	Sortuda	Portuguese
2	Afortunado!	Spanish	7	Khush qismat	Urdu
3	Norocos!	Romanian	8	Chanceux!	French
4	Szerencsés!	Hungarian	9	şanslı	Turkish



Vocabulary corner

`As luck would have it`

something that happened purely by chance

We ran out of food at the party but as luck would have it, a nearby shop was open late that day

`Lucky streak`

a period of luck
I don't usually win when I play cards but I have won the last 5 games. I hope this lucky streak continues.

`To push one's luck`

to take a big risk hoping to achieve success.

I pushed my luck with that project and the tight deadlines. I'm glad it went well in the end.

`Beginner's luck`

Luck experienced by someone who does something for the first time.

My sister played golf for the first time in her life and got a hole in one; beginners luck!

March events around the world



World Music Therapy Day
MARCH 1

March 1st, World Music Therapy Day is a day for people all around the world to celebrate the healing power of music. People have always known and spoken about the power and benefits of music. Music therapy exists as a clinical field. Music therapists use music to help people, especially children, people with disabilities, the elderly.

March 3rd, World Hearing Day

raises awareness about hearing loss prevention and promotes ear health and hearing. According to the World Health Organization, 466 million people worldwide, or 5% of the population are affected by hearing loss. Thirty-four million of those are children. If we don't do anything, by 2050 900 million people will have disabled hearing.



March 18th, World Sleep Day

recognizes the importance of a good night's rest for every human being on the planet. Taking place on the Friday before the vernal spring equinox, World Sleep Day is a time to review our night time routines and consider making adjustments.



March 27th, World Theater Day

celebrates the importance of theater art as it continues to move, entertain, teach and change us. Theatre arts are enjoyed by millions worldwide and their production takes months of preparation that must be given its due appreciation.



Lucky spots around the world



**Winged Figures
of the Republic
Hoover Dam, Nevada, USA**



**Weeping Column,
Hagia Sophia, Istanbul
Turkey**



**Trevi Fountain
Rome, Italy**



**Il Porcellino
Florence, Italy**



**Fountain of Wealth,
Suntec City, Singapore**



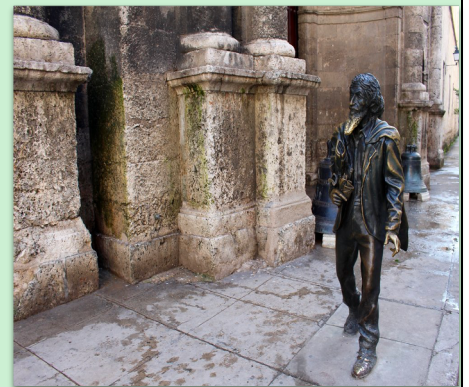
**Magic Owl of Dijon,
Dijon, France**



**St. John of Nepomuk statue
Charles Bridge, Prague
Czech Republic**



**Goose Girl statue
Göttingen, Germany**



**Gentleman from France
statue
Havana, Cuba**



Movig corner



This black comedy-drama is based on the novel of the same name written by Canadian author, Patrick DeWitt. It tells the story of Manhattan heiress, Frances, portrayed beyond praise by Michelle Pfeiffer, who lives grandly with her son on the fortune left by her deceased rich husband. When she suddenly receives notice of the assets being seized by the bank, Frances and her son see no way out but to take refuge in her long-time friend's empty apartment in Paris. There, they try to find a new meaning in their lives and adjust to their new living situation. It's a beautifully painful story of lost glory and closure.



TURKEY



Selvin sensei would be happy to answer any questions about Turkey.

- **Population:** 83 million people live in Turkey (2023)
- **Capital:** Ankara with 5.3 million inhabitants
- **Name:** Turkiye, Republic of Turkey
- **Government:** presidential republic
- **Official Language:** Turkish
- **Religion:** mainly Muslims 99 % (Sunni)
- **Currency:** 1 turkish *lira* = 100 *kurus*
- **National Symbols:** crescent moon with white star and the national colours: red and white
- **National Anthem:** *Istiklal Marsi* (Independence march)
- **National Day:** 29 October

In Turkey we still can find a variety of wild cats, boar, foxes, caracals and grey wolves. There are Eurasian lynxes and brown bears as well.

We have chosen 3 Turkish animals to raise money for the earthquake victims.

